

Last time: Gaussian Elim

Solution Paradigms

A linear system has 3 possible solution paradigms:

→ No solutions ✗ (from an inconsistent equation)

→ Exactly 1 solution ✗

→ Infinitely many solutions. ← ✗

Thm: These are the only three possibilities...

Goal: Determine solution sets.

Give solutions as column vectors.

In general we give a full set of column vectors

Ex: Last time we solved

$$\begin{cases} 2x + z + w = 5 \\ y - w = -1 \\ 3x - z - w = 0 \\ 4x + y + 2z + w = 9 \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = -1 + t \\ z = 5 - t \\ w = t \end{cases} \quad \text{for any } t \in \mathbb{R}$$

We write the solution set like so:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1+t \\ 5-t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ t \\ -t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Solution Set

NB: this vector is a particular solution...

Matrices

A matrix is a rectangular array of numbers

Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$
 3×2 2×2 1×3

An $m \times n$ matrix has m rows and n columns

A column vector is an $n \times 1$ matrix.

A row vector is a $1 \times n$ matrix.

The entries of a matrix are the numbers in the matrix.

Entries are indexed by row and column.

Ex: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & -3 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -7 & 11 & 2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$
 \rightarrow $a_{3,2} = -7$
row number column number

Convention: Matrices are represented w/ Capital letters.
the corresponding entries are rep'd by the lowercase letter, so

$$D = [d_{i,j}]$$

We can represent a linear system via an augmented matrix.

Ex: $\begin{cases} 3x + 5y - 7z + w = 0 \\ 5y - 3z + v = 5 \\ x - z = 6 \end{cases} \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 5 & -7 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 & 0 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 6 \end{array} \right]$

Let's solve this system w/ its matrix representation

NB: Gaussian elimination translates into "row operations" for the matrix setup.

Sol: $\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & 5 & -7 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 6 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[p = \text{"rho"}]{p_3 \leftrightarrow p_1} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & -7 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$

$\xrightarrow{p_3 - 3p_1} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 5 & -4 & 1 & -18 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{p_3 - p_2} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 5 & -3 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -23 \end{array} \right]$

$\xrightarrow[\text{-}p_3]{\frac{1}{5}p_2} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 23 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[p_2 + \frac{3}{5}p_3]{p_1 + p_3} \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 29 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{74}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 23 \end{array} \right]$

"first nonzero entry of each row is a 1 and sees only 0's above and below" → "Reduced Row Echelon Form"

$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 29 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{74}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 23 \end{array} \right] \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} x & = 29 \\ y & + \frac{1}{5}w = \frac{74}{5} \\ z & = 23 \end{cases}$

$\rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 29 \\ y = \frac{74}{5} - \frac{1}{5}t \\ z = 23 \\ w = t \end{cases} \text{ for } t \in \mathbb{R}$ OR $\begin{cases} x = 29 \\ y = 5 \\ z = 23 \\ w = 74 - 5s \end{cases} \text{ for } s \in \mathbb{R}$

Hence we have solution set $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 29 \\ \frac{74}{5} \\ 23 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{5} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

OR $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 29 \\ 0 \\ 23 \\ 74 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} : s \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ ← same solution set, different form! 174

Ex: Solve
$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_3 = 4 \\ x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 5 \\ 4x_1 - x_2 + 5x_3 = 17 \end{cases}$$

Sol:
$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & 5 \\ 4 & -1 & 5 & 17 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 - R_1 \\ R_3 - 4R_1}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\substack{-R_2 \\ R_3 + R_2}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\therefore \begin{cases} x_1 + x_3 = 4 \\ x_2 - x_3 = -1 \end{cases} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = 4 - t \\ x_2 = -1 + t \\ x_3 = t \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \text{Solution set is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : t \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \quad \square$$

\therefore = "therefore"

Ex: Solve
$$\begin{cases} 3x + 2y = 5 \\ -6x - 4y = 0 \end{cases}$$

Sol:
$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 3 & 2 & 5 \\ -6 & -4 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 + 2R_1} \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 3 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 10 \end{array} \right] \leftarrow$$

$\therefore 0 = 10$ is implied by the second row,

So the solution set is $\emptyset = \{\}$
 \uparrow empty set. \square

Preview of Coming Attractions: Matrix Algebra.

Operations on matrices (today):

→ Normal row operations
(swap, add, multiply).

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7t \\ 1 \\ 5+5t \end{bmatrix}$$

matrix addition scalar multiplication

Defⁿ: Let A and B be $m \times n$ matrices
and let $c \in \mathbb{R}$ be constant.

The sum of A and B is $A+B = [a_{ij} + b_{ij}]$,
i.e. the matrix obtained by entry-wise addition.

The scalar multiple of A by c is $cA = [ca_{ij}]$,
i.e. the matrix obtained from multiplying each entry
of A by c .

Ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3+7 & -1-1 & 0+0 \\ 2+0 & 0-1 & 1-1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$5 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \cdot 2 & 5 \cdot 3 \\ 5 \cdot 1 & 5 \cdot -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 15 \\ 5 & -15 \end{bmatrix}$$

Non-ex: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \\ 7 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$
IS UNDEFINED!